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SUBJECT: LEBANON AND PROPOSED MEETING WITH ASAD TO DISCUSS
PEACE PROCESS/UNDOF RENEWAL

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1. MET WITH DAOUDI AS SCHEDULED THIS AFTERNOON AND
CONVEYED MESSAGE FROM YOU TO ASAD AS PER REFTEL (A).
DAOUDI TOOK FULL NOTES, COMMENTING HE EXPECTED THAT
PRESIDENT WOULD BE REPLYING TO YOU SHORTLY. CLAIMED
THAT ASAD HAD BEEN HEAVILY PREOCCUPIED WITH EVENTS
SURROUNDING YESTERDAY'S 29TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
OF BAATH PARTY FOUNDATION.

2. ON ASSUMPTION PRESIDENT WILL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE
ME IN NEAR FUTURE TO HEAR PRESENTATION ON PEACE
PROCESS AND UNDOF RENEWAL, PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER YOU
WISH ANY FURTHER MODIFICATIONS TO MY TALKING POINTS
(AS AMENDED IN REFTEL (B)) ON THESE SUBJECTS, PERHAPS
AS RESULT OF MEETINGS WITH HUSSEIN IN WASHINGTON.

3. I INTEND TABLE REQUEST FOR SUCH MEETING APRIL 10
UNLESS YOU CONSIDER IT DESIRABLE TO AWAIT FURTHER
DEVELOPMENTS ON THE LEBANESE FRONT.

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